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CURRENT TOPICS.

Danora is forging ahead as a flax-grow Only thirty-seven widows of the Revolu

THERE are now 55,157 postmasters in the

Tun Queen of Italy owns haif a million pure white poaris.

Musinoons that weigh seven pounds grow in the Tyrol.

THERE is a growing demand for Ameri can apples in England. PRESIDENT CLEVELAND, dein's wine at

dinner, very sparingly. Ground critic on a homely bride: "Her The postmister at Winterport, Me., is

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND IS to take lessons in borsebs: R riding this winter.

Bixry the sand crange trees are on their way from Japan to California.

appropriately.named Snow

Wannington has one hundred and forty miles of streets with shade trees on both

Thank are indications of a renewal of the agitation in favor of a government tel-Then are millions of wild goose in Da

kots, this scuson, attracted by the numer-Tite outlook for the Plorida orange crop, both as to supply and demand, is said to

Turnz has been a complete reconclication between the Empress Rogeate and Prince

Mns. CLEVELAND is greatly liked by her gracious manner.

It is said to cost fifty dollars to place a carcass of Chicago dressed boof in the markets of London Berong the close of the year every coun-

ty in Kansas will have a completed line of railroad within its limits. Four little girls acted as pall-bearers at the burial of one of their youthful play-mates in Fond du Lac, Wis.

It is said that the President sits down here times a day to one of the best served private tables in Washington,

A New Your jury has decided that the keeper of a bucket-shop is the keeper of a gambling-bouse within the legal delini-GREAT BRITAIN, the largest Empire in

the world, comprises 8,557,050 aquare miles, more than a sixth part of the surface of the Heavy rains have so advanced the ripening of the coffee berry in Mexico that the crop will be guthered earlier than

Sarria, Kan., contains among its in-habitants "Doc" Blod ett, who was born in a block house, in 1750, where Cincinnati

IMMENSE numbers of fruit trees are be ing planted in Oregon and Washington Territory, They are chiefly prunes and

Unschuruzous sons-in-law are uncom fortable ercutures for a man to have about a fact of which President Grovy is become ing sorely convinced.

Tun superintendent of the Philadelphia Mint expresses surprise at the steady demand for one cent pieces which began

A RUNAWAY couple seated on the back of small mule rode up to the court house a Milton, Fla., the other day, and were married by the county judge.

A colourd woman at Jacksonville, Fla. bas a baby which is half black and half whits. One side of its face is black as a coal and the other side white.

By the marriage of Senator Hawley the number of widowers in the upper house of Congress is reduced to three. They are nators Gibson, Voorhoes and Beck Duning the last seven months \$145,000,

600 of foreign capital have come into the United States. There is no other country in the world of which a like thing can be

THE total number of miles traveled in the whole United States mail service during the past year was 270,173,005, which was an increase of 5,016,728 miles over last

the mounds near the Ohio river two silve crosses and thirty silver shoe buckles, the latter bearing the French crown and date The former residents of Ohlo, now living

in Topeka, Kan., have organ sed a society and adopted for a motte, "The sun of Ohe never shone on the face of an ugly Jacques Wismen, the engraver who made nearly all the plates from whi

bonds and mency of the Confederate States were printed, is dead at his home in Cam-Pernoneum is being found in increasing

quantities all over the islands of the Dutch East Indias, particularly in Java ich wells have also been discovered in Eastern Java. FARMERS around Whatcom, Mon., com-

plain that they are unable to protect them selves against the horses of deer and ante lope which ravage their orchards and do stroy their grain fields.

HUSKING corn by means of a threships machine is the new agricultural wrinkle, and it is getting to be very popular in some parts of the west. The corn is husked and belled at the same time.

THE tunning of Enngaroo skins is an Important industry at Newark, N. J., about 0,000 hides being recoved there from Australia every week. Much of the leather is shipped to London and Paris.

PAPER bedelothes are made at a factor in New Jersey. They are doubled sheets of manila paper, strengthened with twine, and valuable by reason of the peculiar properties of paper as a non-conductor of heat.

EDWARD WILMOT BLYDES is perhaps the ablest negro in the world. He can read the Koran in Arabic, the Bible in Hebrew, Homer in Greek, Virgil in Latin, Shaks pears in English and Dante in Italian, Blydon is a complete Know-nothing an

his ery is, "Africa for the Africans." There is a good prospert new that there tion in New York City in 1889 of the in auguration of George Washington as first ident of the United States.

M. BLANCHET, in his recent work on the already cost over 40.00 lives, and it is be-lieved, by careful observers, that his eati-mate is no exaggeration of the truth.

The presence of mind of a West Choster (Pa.) woman probably saved her life. Her clothing caught fire, and she immediately jumped into a barrel of water standing so by, extinguishing the flames.

THE SITUATION CRITCAL.

After Grevy Perhaps a Deluge of Blood.

The Very Existence of the French Republic Threatened.

London, Nov. 20 .- The problem of the ldoney of the French Republic grows sore intricate daily. It is now almost abclutely certain that the Republican fac ma will not combine, though they can not fail to see that it will be worse for them if they don't, and the Republic is confronted by the greatest peril that has ever threat-ened its existence. President Grery has expressed his determination to cling to his office until he knows who has been thosen as his successor, and it is further isserted that he will not allow the newlyelected President to succeed him unless h shall ben Conservative and entirely accepable to a large majority of the Repub cans, even going to the length of using military force to prevent his taking pos the Boulanger extremists succeed in elecing the General through combinations with other sections, there will certainly be a row, and a bloody one, at that. The ex-citement is great, and party and factional feeling is wrought up to a point where the slightest thing may cause an outbreak. The commanders of the different army corps have received scaled instructions, which they are to open in the event of an outbreak following the election of a new President. A movement is spreading among member of the Right to propose Vice-Admiral Dom to M. Ferry becoming President. He home affairs required that M. Grevy should her face heavily veiled, and positively retain his jost. There was sure to be an inection, he said, if M. Ferry was elected, La Leature accuses the Forry its of offer-ing helpes right and loft. The paper appeaks to President Grevy to remain in office to save France. The latest in regard to the situation is that all efforts to indices President Gravy to remain in office have

A GREAT SCHEME.

The Standard Oil Company to Pipe Chicago With New York.

Toleno, O., Nov. B.—A gigantic scheme of the Standard Oil Company, involving millions of doltars has just been un-earthed here. It is nothing more nor less than a grand trank pipe line from and Pennsylvania oll fields. The pipe ine, when completed, will be nearly 1,000 miles long and will cost at least \$5,000,000. It will connect the Obio and the Pour sylvania fields, and oil can be piped east-ward or westward as desired. The Stand-at the request of President Grevy. rd Company has already comlease the right of way through Onio and Indiana. Thousands of the best oil lands have been secured, and the intention is to develop and test all the country between Chicago and Lima, O. The step was made necessary by the high railroad rates co sequent upon the carrying into effect of the inter-State commerce law, and the in-tention of the Standard Company is to util-ize the oil piped to Chicago for fuel as well as for illuminating purposes.

Unusual Suicide of a Lady. DAVENPORT, Ia., Nov. 30.-Ben Cusley nd Chas. A. Logan, two prominent young for the hand of Elizabeth Waterson, sev enteen years old, daughter of a well known farmer. The two young men met at the girl's house yesterday morning. when a desperate encounter cusued, the victor to have the prize. Cusley was finally successful, driving his rival off at the point of a revolver. Logan was the favorite with the girl, and yesterday He afternoon she sent a bullet through her

Quarter Million Dollar Fire.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 1.—The Strobridge Lithographing Company's building, totroyed by fire at half-past one this it Loss about \$250,000; insurance, \$150, 000. The fire probably originated from spontaneous combustion. John Schuler, gerously, if not fatally, injured.

New York, Nov. 30.—The Commissioner of Public Works has ordered that all work in the streets involving excavations shall be stopped for the winter at midnight tonight. The stoppage will throw six thou-sand men out of employment.

Colored People Protest. WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—The colored cititested to President Cleveland and the emmissioners against the conversion of an old house of preslitation into a school

for colored children. Whose Babes Were They?

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Nov. 30,-The bodies developed, were recently found in jars in had apparently been there a long time The police are inquiring into the matter. The store has had several owners during

The Vote in Massachusetts. Boston, Nov. 30,-Official figures of the ecent election show that Governor Ames' The plurality for the Republican State

ticket averages about 24,000. Broke His Neck Diving.

New ORLEANS, Nov. 50.—Geo. Denham, aptain of the British steamer Ocean King. mped into Lake Pontchartrain to take a outh last evening. The water was shallow, and he broke his neck in diving, dying almost instantly.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Nov. 30 -- Dr. Me-ullough was shot and instantly killed at Stevenson, Ala., by a farmer named Hicks vesterday. The men got into a quarrel, which resulted in a murder. Wels made

REIGN OF TERROR.

Bloody Affray Between Whites and Ne gross on Cat Island.

Мемгиз, Tenn., Dec. 1.—A reign of ter-or prevails in Cat Island, in Crittenden aty, Ark., some twenty-five miles be-Memphis, on the Mississippi river. Martin Thomas and Joe Hamlett, two resdents of that neighborhood, arrived in Memphis this evening and brought intellince of an affray which occurred this which resulted in the killing of two negroes and the wounding of sev The origin of the affray eral others. grew out of the arrest of the negroes, who it is alleged, insulted some white women yesterday. They were to be tried this morning before a negro justice of the peace. Their act had aroused the indignation of the whites and about a doze each of both races met this afternoon at the preliminary investigation by the col-ored magistrate. As to who started the row nothing can be learned, but in the sheeting that followed both the negroes under arrest were killed and two or three sension of the office. How far M. Grevy could carry out this programme no one can accurately judge, but all who know him believe that he would make the attempt at almost any odfs if he believed himself justified therein. If M. Clemenceau should carry the election, of the Beaucone extended a record in a skill, and when last soon their companious had been killed. The negroes on Cat Island outnumber the whiteten to one, and serious trouble is antici-pated. It is impossible to gather further details to-night

SENSATIONAL WEDDING.

Interrupted by the Officiating Clergyman Himself, Who Makes a Startling Disclosure by Tearing a Mask from the

Bride's Pace. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. L.-A well-dresset uple drave to the residence of Rev. J. W. of the Right to propose Vice Admirational please of the Right to propose Vice Admirational Canden, N. J., last evening, and require the minister to marry them. The marriage the Chamber of Deputies, for the Department of Canden, N. J., last evening, and require the minister to marry them. The marriage ceremony was commenced, the man giving ceremony was commenced, the man giving interview with President Grevyr in the Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, and the course of which he disclosed the na- would be bride that of Emma Pyr, of the ture of the sileged Russian objections same piace. Their answers were satis-to M. Ferry becoming President. He factory, but the minister's suspicious were said the grave and critical position of aroused by the fact that the woman kept fused to remove the veil when requested to do so. Finally, the minister pulled the veil from her face, and was aston shed to find her features still concealed by a gauss mask. This he quickly ore off, and found the woman to be a negress, and a very black one at that, Mr. Bagley was indignant, and ordered them from the house at once. The man asked how much it would cost to keep the matter uiet, but the minister declined to shield im, and the couple left and took the ferry ack to Philadelphia,

Grevy's Resignation Postponed.

Panis, Dec. 1.—President Grevy this erenoon informed the Ministerial Council that in view of the change in the situation ion to Parliament to-day. It was an nounced yesterday that he would resign to day. The Official Gazette publishes the withdrawal of the resignation of the Ron-vier Cabinet. The withdrawal was made

Pants, Dec. L.-The anno President Grevy would not tender his resignation created a sensation in the Chambers. The Chambers thereupon voted a demand that he do so, and he will, in onsequence, resign to-morrow.

Cholera in Italy.

New York, Dec. 1 .- Mayor Hewitt to-day eceived from Secretary Bayard a letter to ter at Rame, upon the subject of clearing vessels from cholera-stricken ports in Italy. Mr. Stallo said that he had the asgrance of Premeir Crispi that cholora had entirely disappeared from Nucles, and that the Italian Government would guard with the greatest care against a recurren of the evils of which our Government had

Public Debt Increased. Washington, Dec. 1.—Treasurer Hyatt bas returned to Washington from a business visit to Philadelphia and New York He says that the debt statement, to be issued this afternoon, will show an in crease of a little more than a million del lars in the public debt since November L. nainly attributable, in his opinion, to the unusually large disbursements for peuslous, etc., during the month.

His Wife Saw Him Ground to Death. Council, Barris, IA., Dec. L.-Samuel A.

Anderson, an employe of the Chicago and Northwestern railroad, was run over and instantly killed yesterday. He attempted gine, missed his footing and fell across the rulls. The accident occurred within fifty feet of his home, and was witnessed by his wife, who will probably lose her

Garfield Day in Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 1.—The statue of Prest-dent Garfield, erected at Garfield Place, was unveiled with appropriate coromonies o-day. Hon. Eara B. Taylor, Governor Foraker and Hon, Samuel F. Hunt were the orators of the day. President Garfield is represented in the act of delivering his inaugural address.

Bains in Western Texas.

mins began falling this morning through out Western Texas, extending nearly five undred miles west of here and south to the Rio Grande. The rain was badly needed throughout this vast grazing district. The indications point to a copious fail.

Methodist Minister Killed. Inoquois, i.t., Dec. 1.-The Rev. Mr. Grubar, of the Methodist Church, in attempting to get out of the way of a freight train yesterday afternoon, got in the way of a passenger train, which ran over him,

crushing his body. Earthquake in England.

ng his skull and terribly mangling

London, Dec. 1.—A shock of earthquake was felt at Chorley, County of Lancaster, at seven o'clock this morning. A rumbling telse accompanied the shock. Buildings shock, and people left their houses greatly frightened. No serious damage was done,

Child Fatally Burned.

CHATTANOGUA, TENN., Dec. 1 .- Wm. Cum tigs' three year-old daughter was burned to death at Pikeville to-day. Her clothes caught fire from a grate, and hefore the flames could be extinguished she was roasted alive.

PRESIDENT GREVY,

Under Pressure, Steps Down and Out.

Serious Riot Takes Place in the Place de La Concorde.

Paris, Dec. 2.—President Grevy's message resigning the Presidency of the Republic has been read in the Chamber of Deputies. In it M, Grevy says he regards the votes taken in the Seaute Chamber of Deputies yesterday as a decisive demonstration, presentation has respected. demonstration necessitating ha res-ignation. After recalling his ser-vices to the country, which assure I tranquility at home and peace abroad, he de-clares that he leaves office with a feeling of sadness, while declining to be responsiwere in front of the Chamber of Deputies, The police cleared the approaches to the building and stopped traffic in the vicinity. The Deputies received the message with profound silence. M. Floquet read a letter from the President of the Senste summon-ing a congress of the two Chambers at Versailles to morrow for the purpose of electing a new President. The sitting then closed smid cries of "Vive la Republique."

Paris, Dec. 3.—Some serious rioting ocvening. The mounted guard charged the crowd, and several revolver shots were fired at the police. Later they were reinforced with infantry, and a fresh charge was made, when sixty persons were injured. A Socialist meeting was held in Salle Favic last evening. Violent speeches were made, and the crowd shouted, "A has Ferry!" "Vive Boulanger," etc. Madame de Freycinet visited Madame Grevy yesterday. the crowd, and several revolver shots

BLOWN TO ATOMS.

mendous Explosion of a Locomotive's

Boiler-Three of the Crew Killed and Boiler-Three of the Crew Killed and Two Fatally Injured.

Perrayntas, Pa., Dec. 2—The locomotive of a freight train on the Philadelphia and Reading railroad exploded this morn-ing near East Mahoney Junction, Alex-ander Walker, the euginser, was instantly killed, and the fire-man and two brakemen so severely injured that they died while being taken home. that they died while being taken home. The victims all lived at Tamaqua. The engine was standing on a siding. The morning being cold the crew congregated in the cab. Alexander Walker, engineer, was literally blown to atoms. Albert Guiner, fireman, was blown eighty feet in the air and instantly killed. Wallace Ettinger, brakeman, terribly mangled and instantly killed. David Pifueger, brakeman, was terribly scalded about the head and had his shoulder broken. Jos. Reifsnyder, the conductor, was badly injured about the head. The two latter are still living this but their injuries are believed to be fatal. The engine was practically annihilated. The cause of the explosion is

Statement of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2 -- A statement prepared at the Treasury department shows that during November there was a net increase \$2,360,667 in circulation, and a net increase of \$8,871,746 in cash in the Treasury. Total circulation December 1, \$1,398,873,016; total cash in the Treasury £617,571,748. The increase in circulation is in silver certifi cates, gold coin, standard silver dollars and subsidiary silver in the order named. The circulation of gold certificates, U. S. notes National bank notes, has decreased considerably since November 1. The increase in cash, in gold certificates, standard silver dollars, silver certificates, U. S. notes and gold bullion are in order named. Holdings of national bank notes, silver builton, gold ing the month in the order named.

A Wedding Romance.

Youngstown, O., Dec. 2.—A re-mance culminated in a wedding here last night. A year ago Miss Mattle Leels, of Hall avenue, wrote a business letter to California, which fell into the hands of R. M. Piaskett, a business man at Jolem, who an swered it. The business correspondence grew into one of love. Photographs were exchanged, an engagement followed, and Pinskett came here last night and in two hours after meeting Miss Leeds the couple were married. They leave for California

The Pincher Arrested.

DETROIT, MICH., Dec. 2.-For several weeks past a man has terrified women in the eastern part of the town by pinching them on the body. He would suidenly dart into a crowd, graba woman, pinch ber vigorously, and then run away. To-day a man named John Ward was arrested on a charge of attacking and pinching a woman living on Staubin avenue, having proviously gone to her house and asked for something to eat. Ward denies the charge The pelice think they have now found the

Convicted Murderers Ready to Escape. New York, Dec. 2. -Dan Driscoll, for the murder of B-czy Gerrity, was to-day sen-tenced to bang Friday, the 20th of January next. It has seen discovered that Discrol Tombs, under sentence of death for mur der, had sawed off the bars of their cell

Champion Smuggler Killed. BROWNSVILLE, TEX., Dec. 2 .- It is learned that Marinda Resendes, the famous Mexi-can smuggler, was captured on Tuesday by Mexican cavalremen and shot to death

preparatory to making their escape.

of smuggled goods into Mexico. He was captured while on a visit to his wife. Merchant Acquitted of Arson.

but had taken thousands of dollars' worth

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 2.-The trial of Joseph D. Thyng, the Main street shoe dealer, on trial for arson, was concluded orning, and resulted in a verdict of "not guilty.

Jack Nimons Hanged.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 2.—Jack Nimous, colored, was hanged at Mount Pleasant, Berkley County, this morning, for the murder of Mike Plottkin, an Isrcalite mershaut, at Holly Hall, in February last, The drop feil at 6 o'clock a, m. His neck was broken.

RAYENNA, O., Dec 2.—John Coughlin, on at which she is not beautiful and charming and all that, but it must be charming and all that, but it must be confessed that it is as a bride that she takes the cake.—Nashville American.

SOMNAMBULISM.

Strange Case of a Widow at Wilkesbarre Pennsylvania.

WILKESBARRS, PA., Dec. 4 .- A curion case of somnambulism has come to light in this city. Mrs. C. E. Eldridge is the name of a widow residing on North Main street, this city. On three different oc-casions last week the lady arose from her bed and walked in her steep. On the first night sho was leaving the house dressed only in her night-clothes. A night printer who was returning home from work asked Mrs. Eidridge where she was going. She a id she was on her way to church and must hurry, as she was late. The next night the woman got out through a trap-door on the roof of the dwelling and walked over the roofs of a block of houses. A policeman was almost scared to death at the sight of the white figure on the roofs, Mrs. Eldridge was finally rescued. Last night it was thought that the nervous excitem at was over, but, to make sure that the woman should not make her escape again, a daughter was placed in the same room with he and the door locked. About four o'cl this morning the daughter discovered that her mother had left the house. The police were notified, and after a long search the woman was found wandering around among the tembstones in Hollenback Cemetery. She was fast asleep and was dressed in her night-clothes. She was almost frozen to death.

FURIOUS MOB.

Three Prisoners Taken From a Missission

MEMPHIS, TENN., Dec. 4 .- A mob various y estimated at from twenty-five to seven-y-five in number rode into the little town of (Charleston, Miss., about fifty miles from this city, about nine o'clock Saturday night, and, surrounding the fail, at the point of a revolver forced Jailer Vance to inlock the cells in which were confined Jo Tribble, Monroe Harris and Charles Tay lor, three negroes who were confined. ending the action of the grand jury, or he charge of attempting to assassinate white man named Frank Mountz, about three weeks ago. The mob carried the three prisoners about one mile from the own and shot Charles Taylor and Monro Harris to death, leaving the two bodies ly ng in the read riddled with buckshot. Wha they did with Joe Tribble is not known but it is believed that he also was killed.

France's New President.

VERSAILLES, Dec. 4.—Sadi-Carnot was elected President of France on the seconballot yesterday. He received 616 votes General Saussier 186, Ferry 11, DeFreyeine General Appert 5 and M. Pyat I. result was well received throughout France, and no disorder occurred. Panis, Dec. 4.-President Sadi-Carnot was to-day installed in the Elysce Palace, The German, Russian and Austrian Am-bassadors expressed to M. Rouvier their

satisfaction with the result of the election The Popo is well pleased.

Mad Don Biles Four Persons. CRATTANOGIA, TENN., Dec. 4.—Calamity has befallen William Baxter, his two sons and a neighbor named Douglas. They live int issued after a special examination. By his is n miles northwest of this city. Yestermeans n wouthreaks have been almost entireday morning a mad dog attacked the four persons and bit each one of them. The his sons and Doug as. The dog has been running at large for three weeks. Fiftee lays ago he bit a lot of geese, and the have all died. The dog has not been killed.

Coal Famine in Kansas. Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 4.-It is said that on alarming scarcity of coal exists in due partially to the refusal of the Atchison and Topeka road to furnish a sufficient number of cars. The citizen's threaten to help themselves to the company's coal unless they at once render assistance. A Garden City vesterday a train was side tracked and relieved of some of the coal.

Blew Off His Wife's Head.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 4.—At two o'clock resterday afternoon a man named Howe living near Reimer's brewery, in West St Paul, blew off the top of his wife's head at once proceeded to the police station and gave himself up. He claims that he was cleaning the gun, when it went off acc dentally

Colonel Green Acquitted.

LEXINGTON, KY., Dec. 4.—The case of Colonel Green for the killing of Baldwin was yesterday concluded by the judge' decision that Colonel Green was jus in his act, and that, as a matter of self-de fense, he was not entitled to be held over to any further courts. Colonel Green left for his Maysville home at once.

F Dr. Parker Returns That Money. BROOKLYN, Dec. 4.—Rev. Jos. Farker vesterday sent to the secretary of the Beecher Monument Fund a check for \$700, the amount received by him for his expenses in coming to America and de ivering the eulogy upon the late Mr.

Coal Miners Kill Each Other.

Sr. Louis, Dec. 4.-John Davidson and Wm. Crow, coal miners living three miles from Carrollton, Ill., quarreled last night, and in a fight that ensued Crow wa stabbed to death with a knife, and Davidson received three pistol wounds, and is no doubt new dead.

Boodlery in Kansas City.

Kansas City, Dec. 4.—The outcome of an ovestigation of Abterman Looney indicates the exposure of a huge boodlers ring, in which several of the aldermen and city officials are concerned. It is charged also that the mayor had a finger in the

Too Much Moonshine. Confirm, Miss., Dec. 4.-Lane Wiley and Finch Riley, persistent makers of "moon shine" whisky, were arrested by Govern ment officers yesterday.

-A Connecticut boarding-house keeper gives his boarders eigars after dinner. But this is no exception to the popular belief that there is nothing w under the sun. Boarding-house keepers have served cabbage before now, but in a different shape .- Yonkers Stalesman.

-There is no period of a girl's life

BANKING AND FARMING.

wo Interesting Public Reports—The Comptroller's Statement of the Condi-tion of the National Banks—Commis-sioner Coleman's Work in the Agricuit-

a al Department, THE NATIONAL BANKS. THE NATIONAL BANKS

WASHINGTON, Doc. 2.—The subual report of
the Comptroller of the Currency shows that
the total number of National banks organized
up to October 31 was 8.8.3, of which tes have
gone into voluntary liquidation, 119 have failed,
leaving in operation at that data 3,001. The locat
al number of new banks formed during the last
pear was 221, total number closed during the
var 33 of which 5, went into voluntary liquidyear, 38, of which 25 went into voluntary liqui-

year, 33, of which 25 went into voluntary liquidation and 8 tailed.

The gross increase in National-bank capital during the year amounted to 185,595,715 of which \$5,850.05 represents an increase of capital by banks exist in November 1, 1826. There was, however, a decrease of capital of 85.3.5.400, of which \$5,857,850 was the ingregate capital of the thirty-three banks which went into voluntary liquidation and failed, and the remainder represents a decrease of capital by banks still in operation. The net increase of capital for the year is, therefore, \$30,572,377.

On the other hand there is a net decrease of \$25,485,530 in the circulation represented by bonds. The decrease resulting from the surrender of circulation by banks still in operation [a, 55,770,471], and the decrease caused by banks going into voluntary liquidation and failing is \$1,574,500, making a gross decrease of \$40,044.

S1, 61,864 by a total increase of (85,52,20), which consists of an increase by the formation of new banks of \$4,080,091 and an increase of circulation by previously existing basis to the amount of \$20,075. ion by previously existing basis to the amount of \$1,907,173.

In the cases of four of the five banks which In the cases of four of the five banks which failed the creditors have received principal and interest in full, and in the case of the fifth the lotal of dividends amounts to 81 per cent. The total amount of money paid in dividends during the last year is 12,100,338; whole amount paid to creditors of insoivent banks since the system has been in operation in \$29,23,096 upon proved claims amounting to \$88,834,998 upon proved claims amounting to \$88,834,998 total assessments ob stockholders, \$9,35,292 of which gross collections have amounted to \$1,082,563 long and the Comptroller submits a cod fication of the banking laws. He recommends that the mini-

The Comptroller submits a cod fication of the banking laws. He recommends that the minimum amount of bonds to be deposited by a hank as security for circulation shall be 10 per cent, of the capital of banks not over \$.55,000, and \$25,000 for banks of which the capital cx-ceds \$25,000; also that the semi-annual duty, on circulation be hereafter charged only on the amount issued upon bonds deposited in excess of the minimum amount as above; also that he National-bank notes be counted as a part of the lawful reserve of banks.

lawful reserve of banks.

The existing laws as to the responsibility of The existing laws as to the responsibility of officers of banks are modified by this code so as to avoid existing obstacles to their prompt enforcement. The restriction on banks as to making loans in excess of 10 per cent of capital to any one party is modified in respect to loans upon collatoral security and the total limit is raised to 30 per cent of capital and surplus. The provisions as to reserve upon deposits are modified so as not to uclude Government demodified so as not to include Government de-posits, and the provision as to State tixation of National banks is also modified.

posits, and the provision as to State Lixation of National banks is also modified.

THE FIGHT AGAINST PLEURO.

WASHINGTOK, Dec. 2.—The amount report of the Commissioner of Agriculture says that the Covernors of thirty-one States and Territories have accepted the rules and regulations of the Bureau of Animal Industry is regard to pleuro-pneumonia and promised the Sasistance of local police officers to secure their enforcement. In addition the Legislatures of Rhode Island, Virginia. New York and Illinois have enacted laws providing for co-operation. The worst infected counties, the report says, and those from which there was most danger of the spread of the disease—viz. these in the neighborhood of New York Chiesgo and Bultimore—have been placed in quarantine and go cattle allowed to lexy them without a permit issued after a special examination. By his

ly prevented.

From the beginning of the work for the eradication of this disease, in August, 1880, to From the beginning of the work for the cradeation of this disease, in August, 1884, to October 51, 1887, the inspectors of the bureau have inspected 15,887 herds, containing 117,480 animals, in districts where the plaque was supposed to exist. Among those there were found 188 infected berds, containing 10,703 animals, of which 2,235 were affected with pleuro-pneumonia. These figures do not include 2,873 head of cattle in the distillery stables of Chicago, nearly half of which were deceased. The number of animals found affected by this disease and the number of infected herds were much greater than had been anticipated, and the work for its control has subsequently required a correspondingly larger force and greater expenditure of money. The progress made, however, has been very satisfactory, and the appropriation has been 6, and sufficient to meet the demands made upon it.

The Commissioner expresses regret at the unavoidable loss inficted on the farmers of fillinois by the cattle quarantine, and addis:

"There has not been a time in years when this mainaly has been confine." Such restricted areas as at present, and co-cidentity, the comitions are very favora. For its compilete cradication. If the State authorities continue their co-operation as at present, which there is every reason to expect, and it has appropriation is made by Congress equal to that of the present flacal year, and with authority for its similar use, it is the televed that this langerous plague can be exterminated by the entil of the present flacal year.

The Commissioner says it is yet too carly to make an official statement of the results in detail of the present year's experiments in the development of sorghum-sugar manufacture,

tnil of the present year's experiments in the development of sorghum-ugar manufacture, but that enough is known aircold to enable this country to anticipate an early success of the

country to anticipate an early success of the enterprise.

The experiments in silk-recling have not yet reached the point of paying their own expenses, but that was hardly to be hoped for with a plant so limited. Another year's experience, it is expected, will show what can be done under favorable senditions.

favorable conditions, The Commiss over recommends that the Public Printer be authorized to furnish to the agricultural press of the country at the mere cost of labor and material electrotypes of such illustrations of the department as the editors may deare, and that the duties of the seed division be trans-ferred to State and Territorial experiment stations. The Commissioner disapproves of the efforts to make his department an Executive department with a claiment Munister at its head. opartment with a Cabinet Minister at its hear He says that the building of reservoirs among the Rocky Mountains for the storage of an immense volume of water now wasted a command the early attention of Congress.

A Hotel and Nine Other Buildings in Brookville Destroyed by Fire - Four Lives Lost.

BROOKVILLE, Kan., Dec. 2 - The Lawrence Hotel, six business houses and three dwell-ings burned here at 1 o'clock yesterday orning. Four men, Fireman Brimer, Wamego; Brakeman Harrigan, of tmego; Mr. Farnsworth, of Lin-Wamego; Mr Farnsworth, of Lin-celn, and an unknown man, were burned to death. Charles Moss of Tower Springs, Kan, was badly burned, and wil probably die. The guests of the hotel were obliged to jump from the second story wi-dows. The total loss is \$22,000 and the ingrance \$5,000. The cause of the fire is

Several Men Badly Hurt Near Dodgeville Wis., One of Whom May Die.

Dopoeville, Wis, Dec. 2 -Four more badly nurs, one of them fatalty, it is thought, and others were severely shocked, and braised by an explosion near the Blotz mill, two and a half miles from here, on the Nesport, Dodgeville & Northern railroad.

The men were working in a twenty-five, footent Asmall rock dropped into a binsting hole containing seven kegs of powler, and in trying to dislodge it with an iron har the powder was ignited. The men at the blast were blown high into the sir, but not seriously hurs, while those in the pit were thought, and others were severely sha me'y hurs, while those in the pit were wried beneath a mass of rocks and dirt.

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FASHION LETTER. An Endless Variety Without Any Special Features.

[New York Special Correspondence.]
What particularly characterizes the fashions of the present seems to be an entire and perplexing tack of characteristics. The endiess variety displayed in every department of dress, and the minute gradations that fill the degrees between which didn't fill the degrees between which didn't fill the degrees between which did discrimination to see a sessitial and render it a matter of no little difficulty and discrimination to separate essentials from among the tion to separate essentials from among the mars of details, and to select and decide up-en modes and fabries for estation, which shall be typical of a class. Promemade cos-tunes remain in most instances extremely simple in style, yet for those who have ai-ready tired of the very severe tailor-made gown, are produced many elaborate con-

Plaid velvet and plain plush lower skirts will find great favor this winter, and, in-stead of appearing as a panel on one side, they are made full, and show on both sides of the tunio-drapery and up the middle of the back. English tailors are designing new wood gowns in broadcloth, cames har and the like, with plain skirts made very bonf-



skirt, with open space on one side or both, or else it may be lightly draped in front. In this case it is caucht up in a in this case to is cought up in a careless fashion on one side sud held by silk cord formanents. The former model, designed for a bentium New York lending New York fashion journal, is here illus-trated. The cle-

out, show a comcamels hair or India cashmere, with velvet; or of fallie francaise combined with velvet or of faille francass combined was striped more. Among the novelties are braided stripes woven in bold relief to represent rows of braid-work sewed to the fabric. Wide stripes are formed of six or eight rows of what appears to be soutache of rich handlwork in silk applying but is in fact woven into the backof six or eight rows of what appears of be sontache of rich handlework in silk applique, but is in fact woven into the backgroun!, these groups of stripes separated by plain strips of diagonal fabric, the braid in black on terra cotta, Russian green, resewood, dahila, and all the bronze and golden brown shades. Superb silk cord ornaments are seen upon the stylish cloth conts matio by fashionable tailors and modisies, and to these are noted for trimmings of matio, beaver, blue fox or Persian lamb skin. These are noted on the new volve:-like cloths now used for jackots, and a cost of this description costs considerably mere than a plainly-made and trimmed confection of Lyons yelves.

Basques and bodices are gradually being lengthened to cover the hips still more deeply. The vest, the plastron, the separate was count, the demurants of the strip of the services of the demurants corrage lapping.

nun's corsage lapping from right to left, and revers of every shape and kind are seen on the newest Paris dresses. It is almost imposable to make the front of the odies too dressy in effect, or to go far directoire revers give the effect of breadth, and are seen alike on the richest and simp'est gowns Collars remain high and close, often to ex-ggeration, and are often made of two fabrics, the one in front matching the

third material used for decoration, he it braiding, embroidery, a contrasting terial or corded silk finished with F



Fancy muffs made to natch the toffet, and formed of a combination of materials, are tion of materials, are small and compact. Muris of fur are much larger in size.

Large hats and small princesse bounds take the lead in popularity. Changeable velvet is much used for dressy head gear, and ribbon loops in moire and satin; and slender quill feathers, richty shaded to correspond in tone with the shot velvet, are used to trim. Black velvet bonnets and used to trim. Black voivet bonnets and round hats are enriched with bands of jet medallion heads, at the edge of the brim and around the crown. The hat is then and around the crown. The hat is then triumed with sable planes and long ribbin loops from the back, a civic that is finding increasing favor. Scal-skin garments are greatly improved in shape, being fitted more closely to the form. Short wraps in scal are made in all the fashionable shapes of velvet or plush manifes. Monkey skin, golden beaver, and blue for for lunings, are very popular. The tournire still lives, but appears, just now, subject to modifications and repressions, owing to the crusade against it. C.D. F.

-Young Wife-"John, dear, have you decided what name to give our dear, precious, sweet little baby?" Young Husband (who has paced the floor with "precious" o' "Yes, I have; Insomnia."

-Visitor (at prison)-"I suppose the convicts are deprived of their valuables when they arrive?" Warden - "Yes; but even the poorest of them have a watch and chain." - Texas